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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF :  
NOBUNAO IKEWAKI, ET AL. : EXAMINER: PATRICK LEWIS  
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FOR: BETA-1.3-1.6 GLUCAN :  
(AUREOBASIDIUM MEDIUM)

AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS  
ALEXANDRIA, VIRGINIA 22313

SIR:

In response to the Official Action mailed October 16, 2003, the Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections of record in view of the following amendments and remarks.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.